

GSCCC Stakeholder Meeting Summary

December 4, 2009

On December 4, 2009, the Granite State Clean Cities Coalition held its quarterly stakeholder meeting at NH DES, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH. Two presentations were a large part of the meeting.

The meeting began with introductions and updates. Dolores Rebolledo, GSCCC Coordinator, introduced new GSCCC Advisory Board members, and updated the group on the status of PSNH's two hybrid electric line trucks. NH Cooperative Electric was recently awarded funds for one hybrid electric line truck and at that time there was nothing to report, except that the truck had been ordered. These purchases were made utilizing CMAQ funding made available through the NH DOT and Granite State Clean Cities Coalition.

Mark Riley of Clean Energy Fuels gave a presentation on CNG, LNG and Clean Energy's recent acquisition of BAF Technologies. This included a review of NG's availability as a domestically produced fuel and opportunities to develop the infrastructure and fleets that could improve energy security and reduce emissions from the transportation sector.

Wayne Presby gave a presentation on the Mt. Washington Cog Railway's conversion from coal fired steam engines to diesel engines (powered on biodiesel).

These presentations are available for review online at www.granitestatecleancities.nh.gov/calendar/index.htm

Dolores Rebolledo updated the group on the status of the GSCCC's CNG and Electric Workgroups. Suggestions from attendees at the September stakeholder meeting included the formation of temporary workgroups to identify projects and outreach to support the future of these fuels in transportation. The first meetings of the workgroups are scheduled during the week of December 7th. The meetings will allow workgroup members to form strategies and decide how often to hold subsequent meetings. (A biodiesel study committee already exists on the state level and GSCCC Advisory Board member Andrew Kellar has agreed to update the Coalition of the happenings within this committee.)

The meeting officially convened at 11:30; however, most attendees continued CNG and biodiesel discussions with our guest presenters until noon.

The next meeting will be scheduled in March, 2010, date and agenda to be determined.